

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/686,927

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the communication filed on March 6, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-23,26 and 30-38.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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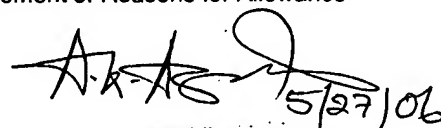
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. This action is in response to the communication filed on March 6, 2006.
2. Claims 1-23, 26-38 are pending in this action. Claims 11-17, 20, 21 and 26 have been amended. Claims 24 and 25 have been canceled. Claims 36-28 have been newly added.
3. The applicant filed Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the Double Patenting rejection set forth in previous office action.

Examiner's Amendment

4. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Chad R. Walsh (Reg. No. 43,235) on May 27, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIM

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Please amend claim 26 as follows:

26. (currently amended) A system for performing speech recognition across a network comprising:

a server including recognition information to recognize a plurality of spoken utterances; and

a first computer including a recognition engine, wherein the first computer is coupled to the server by said network,

wherein the server supplies different sets of recognition information to the first computer to recognize different spoken utterances from corresponding limited sets of candidate utterances at different times;

wherein the server supplies the first computer with first information for recognizing a spoken utterance from a first limited set of candidate utterances, and the first computer is programmed with the first information to recognize the first limited set of candidate utterances;

wherein the first computer generates first recognition results in response to receiving a spoken utterance from the first limited set of candidate utterances;

wherein the server supplies the first computer with second information for recognizing a spoken utterance from a second limited set of candidate utterances,

wherein the second information is selected based on the first recognition results, and the first computer is programmed with the second information to recognize the second limited set of candidate utterances.

Please cancel claims 27-29.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-23, 26 and 30-38 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Contact Information

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Abul K. Azad** whose telephone number is **(571) 272-7599**. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Richemond Dorvil**, can be reached at **(571) 272-7602**.

Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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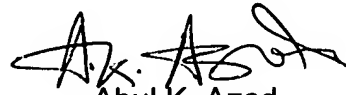
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